FISCAL NOTE

HB 2561 - SB 2736

February 17, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Eliminates grandfather provisions for elderly and legally blind massage therapists. Grants the Tennessee Massage Licensure Board the authority to deny, restrict, or condition any application for licensure or revoke, suspend, or discipline the license of a massage therapist or establishment. Creates an alternative to present licensure requirements under certain circumstances.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Assumptions:

- The deletion of the current grandfathering language relative to the elderly and legally blind will not have an impact on a significant number of licensees, if any.
- The expansion of the Tennessee Massage Licensure Board's options for disciplinary actions towards massage therapists and establishments or licensure requirements will not have a fiscal impact on the Board or the Department of Health.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director